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REPORT

SUBJECT [redacted] Descriptions of Port
Facilities, Vessels, and Other In-
stallations at Novorossiysk

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Attachments:

1. ✓ Four pages of information, two sketches, [redacted] of the
port of Novorossiysk; this report includes information on the oil and
grain elevator piers, unnamed vessels in the port, patrol boats
and comments on the photographs.

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Attachments: Two graphics

1) Situation in Novorossisysk Port on 5 April 1956 (See attached sketch)

The merchant ship loaded crude oil on 6 April past while berthed at the usual petroleum pier (south side, berth No. 31, bow to shore).

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the petroleum pier is equipped with four pipes, two to a side, and probably connected to each other. On the right side, the two pipes are furnished with nine connections, whereas the left side has only seven. These connections permit attaching hoses varying from 120 mm to 300 mm diameter;

The railroad track on the pier usually carries hand cars;

The petroleum pier has not been extended 120 meters, but the arm mentioned in the above report does exist. The merchant ship, 130 meters long, had its bow 20 meters from the end of said arm and the stern extended about 5 meters beyond the other end. The "arm" was therefore approximately 155 meters in length.

The grain elevator pier is served by two tracks, one on the right and one on the left of the main structure. Both tracks are in operation. The pipeline connecting the wells or tanks of crude oil to Novorossiysk is in completion stage

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stretch of
/100 kilometers of the pipeline is still lacking to be installed.

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The floating drydock (see point 1.1 of the mentioned report) in the lee of the east breakwater is 120 to 130 meters long; a Soviet-flag tanker of 12,000-ton capacity was in the drydock.

1.2 Only a few Soviet oil tankers and the usual large tug were in port. [] heavy traffic of tankers vessels up to 4,000-ton capacity and tank barges which are towed out of Novorossiysk and are also towed on the return trip. []

[] These vessels do not carry petroleum []

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1.3 [] a merchant ship of approx. 2,000 tons was recently launched (now fitting) by the shipyard situated east of the port.

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Two or three other merchant ships were being repaired in the same yard.

There is a small marine railway for motorsail vessels at a short distance from the above shipyard (see sketch [])

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There is nothing new to report on pilotage and the boarding inspection, which is still performed conducted in a perfunctory manner.

2) Naval units and military installations

No war vessels or aircraft were observed either inbound or outbound.

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[] however, []
patrol boats

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2.1 Four motor launches []

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displacement: 100 to 120 tons

length : 45 meters

height of freeboard: 1.5 meters

propulsion : motor

painting : dark gray resembling blue

funnels : one abaft the bridge

armament : one small gun forward (about 75 mm); one twin-mounted 20 mm machine gun just aft of and above the small gun (gun and machine gun are abaft the bridge) [sic]; two single machine guns on the center line abaft the bridge (37 or 40 mm); two chutes for depth charges aft, one on the right and one on the left side

search and fixing equipment: one navigational radar and one radio direction finder.

2.2 A naval auxiliary with the following features:

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displacement: approx. 2,000 tons

engines situated aft

con bridge abaft midships

holds: two forward of bridge, with a mast between the two and having three booms forward and three aft

painting: bluish dark gray

berthage in the naval area

2.3 A target barge with the following features

length: 100 meters (?)

beam : 7 meters

number of bearing poles: 10

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2.3 (continued)

height of bearing poles: 9 to 10 meters

radar reflectors: 3 in the center.

2.4 The sketch of Novorossiysk, ^{outer harbor} [redacted] is marked:

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one search station where [redacted] a searchlight

and a radar antenna or a television receiver antenna;

one underground storage made up of a main round bunker 30 meters in diameter and protruding 1½ meters from the ground.

This bunker is provided with side openings and a main air vent about three meters high. Near the bunker, toward the shoreline, source noted three other hemispheric air vents, with small side openings and half buried;

The small shipyard west of the outer harbor (see preceding report);

The drydock, shipyard and small marine railway at point 1.

3) General information

Printed lists of areas closed to shipping were not received.
presumed

Regarding/underground hangars which might be situated at the foot of

hills northeast of the harbor entrance, [redacted]

[redacted] (the photographs confirm this).

no

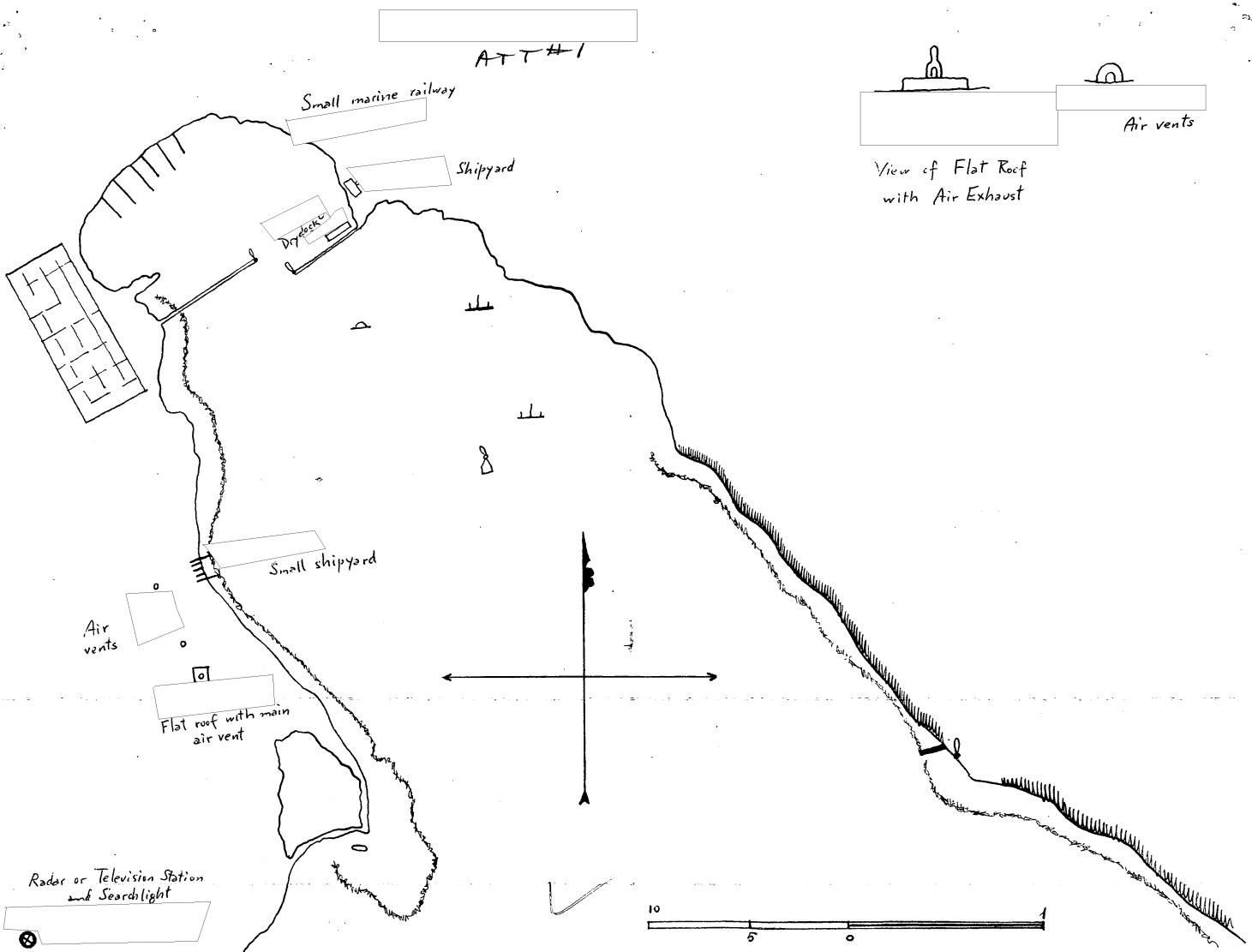
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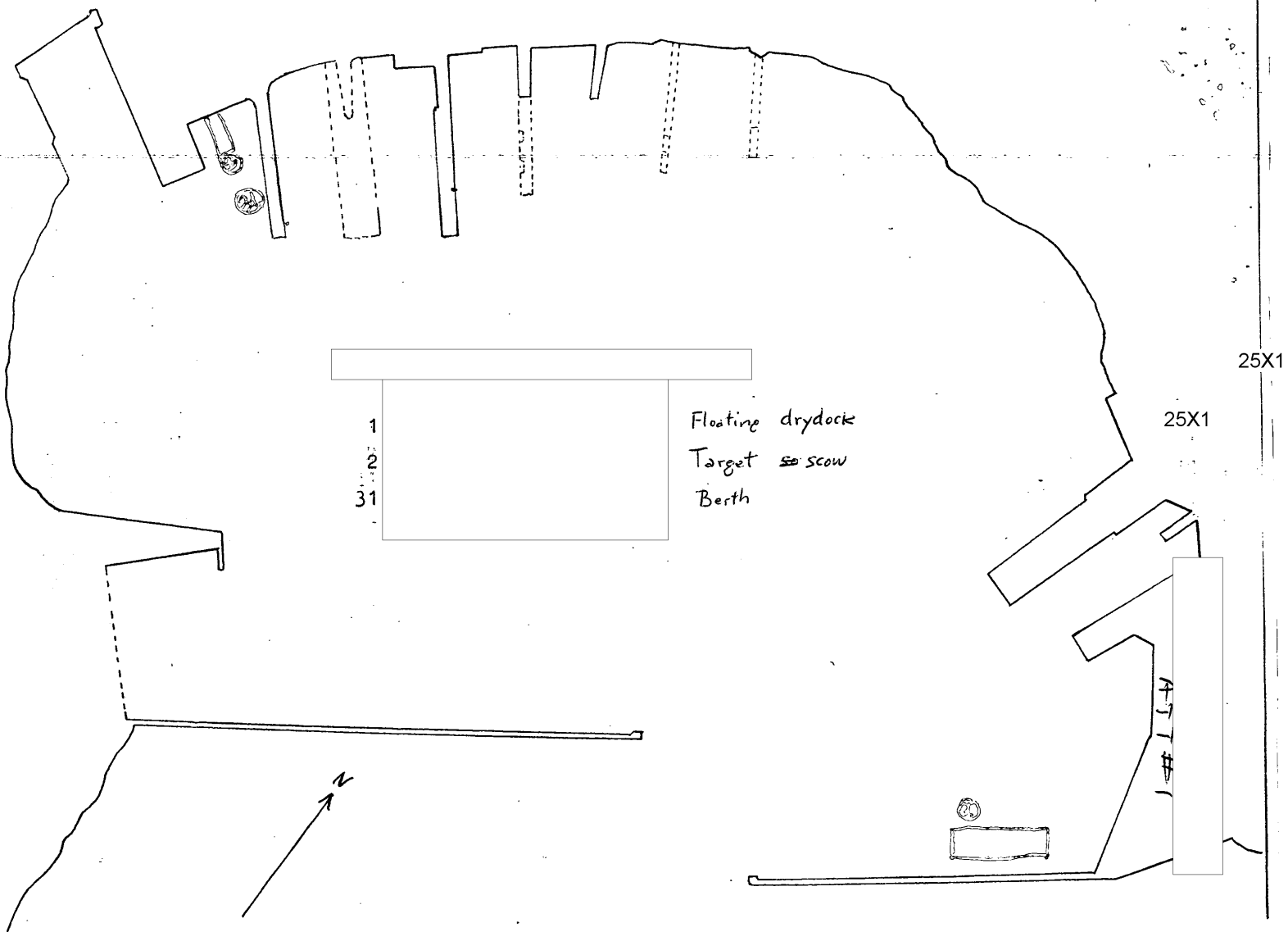
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